



THE ACADEMY FOR TECHNOLOGY AND ACADEMICS

5639 Highway 701 North
Conway, SC 29526

Grades	9-12 Career Center	
Enrollment	475 Students	
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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2011 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2011	Excellent	N/A
2010	N/A	N/A
2009	Excellent	Good
2008	Excellent	N/A
2007	N/A	N/A

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF CAREER CENTERS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
17	14	3	4	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/18/2011.

School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n=475)			
With disabilities other than speech	8.2%	N/A	8.2%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	41.3%	Down from 50.3%	21.6%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	475	Up from 455	608
Students participating in work-based experiences	21.9%	Down from 39.1%	16.2%
Teachers (n=40)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	60.0%	Down from 63.2%	23.8%
Continuing contract teachers	80.0%	Down from 84.2%	76.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	67.7%	Up from 65.5%	90.8%
Teacher attendance rate	94.3%	Down from 94.5%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,383	Down 5.4%	\$46,840
Professional development days/teacher	22.5 days	Down from 23.2 days	10.9 days
School			
Director's years at Center	12.0	Up from 11.0	6.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$12,332	Down 3.0%	\$3,211
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.2%	Up from 57.1%	58.4%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.9%	Up from 63.9%	66.9%
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	79.8%
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	48	0	0
Percent satisfied with learning environment	85.4%	N/R	N/R
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.8%	N/R	N/R
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	85.1%	N/R	N/R

* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A--Not Applicable N/AV--Not Available N/C--Not Collected N/R--Not Reported I/S--Insufficient Sample

Performance By Student Groups

	Technical Skill Attainment			Graduation Rate			Placement Rate		
	This Center		State Center Average %	This Center		State Center Average %	This Center		State Center Average %
	n	%		n	%		n	%	
All Students	447	96.6%	87.6%	199	98.0%	94.7%	388	99.7%	96.3%
Students with Disabilities on Diploma Track	39	97.4%	75.9%	12	91.7%	70.3%	138	100.0%	95.6%
Gender									
Male	182	97.8%	84.8%	82	98.8%	93.6%	148	100.0%	96.5%
Female	265	95.9%	90.9%	117	97.4%	95.9%	240	99.6%	96.2%
Racial/Ethnic Group									
White	272	100.0%	100.0%	113	100.0%	100.0%	233	99.6%	96.8%
African American	176	100.0%	100.0%	77	100.0%	100.0%	137	100.0%	95.6%
Asian/Pacific Islander	3	I/S	100.0%	2	I/S	100.0%	2	I/S	97.5%
Hispanic	15	100.0%	100.0%	7	100.0%	100.0%	10	100.0%	96.1%
American Indian/Alaskan	1	I/S	100.0%	1	I/S	93.1%	0	N/A	88.0%
Migrant Status									
Migrant	0	N/A	50.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
English Proficiency									
Limited English Proficient	7	85.7%	85.1%	0	N/A	93.7%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Socio-Economic Status									
Subsidized meals	447	96.6%	87.6%	199	98.0%	94.8%	217	100.0%	95.0%

* n = number of students on which percentage is calculated.

Definitions of Performance Rating Terms

- * Technical Skill Attainment --- The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at the center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.
- * Graduation Rate --- The percentage of 12th grade career and technology students who graduate in the spring.
- * Placement Rate --- The percentage of career and technology completers available for placement over a 3-year period who are actually placed in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment.

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Report of Director and School Improvement Council

During the 2010-11 school year, the Academy for Technology and Academics was again an exciting place to be. Our faculty and staff, who led us through an impressive High Schools That Work Technical Assistance Visit, had a great year as well. ATA continues to offer students opportunities to grow and prepare themselves for future challenges both locally and globally.

We continue to diversify our career and technology offerings at ATA. We were pleased to kick off our new Emergency and Fire Services Management Program. This program is the result of a strong partnership with and through the generosity of Horry County Fire and Rescue. Improvements for 2010-2011 school year at ATA include academic offerings. Students successfully completed Advanced Placement (AP) and College level courses offered in cooperation with HGTC.

Students continue to achieve numerous state and national certifications. Our graduate placement rate continues to be over 99%. Pre-med students for the first time participated in Anatomy in Clay and CyberSurgery. Digital Arts and Design's "Who we Are" video won first place at the Horry County Schools Technology fair.

Connect Program students continue to have tremendous success in meeting the challenges of secondary education, and successfully completing state graduation requirements in order to move into the next phase of life, post-secondary education, work force, or the military. Also, more and more our Connect students are electing to remain for an optional fourth year so that they may complete a career major.

Service learning projects for ATA students have included "Think Pink" cancer awareness, an anti- smoking campaign "Rage Against the Haze", and cooking and serving the less fortunate at The Shepherd's Table soup kitchen, just to name a few.

On May 19, we celebrated a "Night to Remember" for our seniors at ATA's annual Senior Awards and Reception. We celebrated their status as completers and concentrators in each area, recognized district, state and national competitive events participants, year-long perfect attendance and state/national certifications/achievements. We also honored our academic successes for the year-long Principal's List, A/B Honor Roll, and Top 10% of the Class of 2011. We concluded our ceremony by announcing winners for various scholarships.

ATA will continue to seek new ideas to market the enormous "app-ortunities" we offer Horry County students. Even a partial listing of our many successes may seem boastful. At ATA we offer students real life opportunities to grow and become the future leaders of our communities. We believe, "It's not bragging if it's true!" Please feel free to come and visit our school, its programs and our students and allow us the opportunity to show you all what we have to offer!

Teresa Houston, School Improvement Council Chair
David E. Stoudenmire, Jr., Principal

No Child Left Behind

School Adequate Yearly Progress	YES
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